

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-19. (Canceled)

20. (New) A method of distorting an acoustic signal comprising:

selectively distorting the acoustic signal input by a user of a first mobile communication terminal in accordance with a distortion profile to provide a distorted acoustic signal transmitted from the first terminal to a second terminal during a call with a user of the second communication terminal; and

wherein the first communication terminal includes a phonebook containing a plurality of selectable options including a distortion profile selection option permitting selection from a plurality of distortion profiles including the distortion profile used to provide the distorted acoustic signal.

21. (New) A method of enabling a user of a first mobile communication terminal in accordance with a distortion profile to selectively distort an acoustic signal, input to the first communication terminal during a call with a user of a second communication terminal, comprising:

the user of the first communication terminal inputs the acoustic signal thereto;

a processor of the first communication terminal distorts the acoustic signal input thereto according to a selection in the first communication terminal, where the selection is user defined or selected;

the processor controls transfer of the distorted acoustic signal to a communication network which transmits the distorted acoustic signal to the second communication terminal; and wherein

the second communication terminal receives the distorted acoustic signal and uses the distorted acoustic signal as an output acoustic signal in the second communication terminal to the user of the second communication terminal; and

wherein the first communication terminal includes a phonebook containing a plurality of selectable options including a distortion profile selection option permitting selection from a plurality of distortion profiles including the distortion profile used to provide the distorted acoustic signal

22. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is provided by an analog signal processor.

23. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is provided by a digital signal processor.

24. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is provided by a digital signal processor and the digital signal processor is separated from a digital signal processor performing speech coding of the acoustic signal.

25. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein a user of the first communication terminal selects the distortion profile from pre-defined distortion profiles.

26. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein a user of the first communication terminal selects the distortion profile for each person in a phone-book of the communication terminal.

27. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein a user of the first communication terminal selects the distortion profile for each call set-up.

28. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein a user of the first terminal selects the distortion profile during a call.

29. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein a user of the first terminal changes the distortion profile during a call.

30. (New) A mobile communication terminal comprising:
an input interface and output interface;
means for distorting an acoustic signal input through the input interface and for output of a distorted acoustic signal through the output interface in accordance with a distortion profile; and

a user interface where the user can select distortion selections for specifying the distortion of the input acoustic signal from a phonebook including a plurality of selectable options including a distortion profile selection option permitting selection from a plurality of distortion profiles including the distortion profile used to provide the distorted acoustic signal; and wherein

the means for distorting includes a processor which distorts the acoustic signal inputted from a user of the mobile phone according to a user selection of the distortion profile selection option including the distortion profile in the communication

terminal and the processor transmits the distorted acoustic signal for transmission to a second communication terminal.

31. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is provided by an analog signal processor.

32. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is provided by a digital signal processor.

33. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is provided by a digital signal processor and the digital signal processor is separated from a digital signal processor providing speech coding of the distorted acoustic signal.

34. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is selected from distortion profiles.

35. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is selected for each person in the phonebook of the communication terminal.

36. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is selected for each call set-up.

37. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal can be selected during a call.

38. (New) A communication terminal according to claim 30, wherein distortion of the acoustic signal is changed during a call.